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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1600**

**PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 09481.0009-01000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Jeffrey A. HEROUX et al.

Application No.: 09/976,437

Filed: October 15, 2001

For: ASSAYS FOR MEASURING  
NUCLEIC ACID BINDING  
PROTEINS AND ENZYME  
ACTIVITIES

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) Examiner: S. Chunduru

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants now respond to the Final Office Action mailed September 15, 2006.

Remarks responding to the rejections begin on page 2.

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